

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Original) A device for connecting a carrier part (31) and an add-on part (30) to a connecting part (2) comprising two flange disks (13, 14), connected to each other via an interpiece (27), and a snap-lock structure (11), comprising a receiving part (1) provided with a number of arms (19) that are connected to a ring-like, open receiving element (21) and each extend outwardly from said receiving element (21) to an outer fixing region, and comprising an anchoring part (3) configured with an additional snap-lock structure (8) that cooperates with the snap-lock structure (11) of said connecting part (2) to permit the adjustment of a distance between said receiving part (1) and said anchoring part (3), **characterized in that** said arms (19) bend, at least segmentally, away from the direct connecting line between said receiving element (21) and the outward fixing region and are attached to a plate-shaped region (16) of said receiving part (1), and in that said flange disks (13, 14) clasp said plate-shaped region (16) edgewise.

2. (Original) The device as in claim 1, characterized in that said receiving part (1) is configured as a flat plate (16).

3. (Currently Amended) The device as in claim 1 [or claim 2], characterized in that at least one arm (19) has at least two arm segments (28, 29) that bend away from the direct connecting line between said receiving element (21) and the outer fixing region.

4. (Original) The device as in claim 3, characterized in that said arm segments (28, 29) are oriented perpendicularly to each other.

5. (Currently Amended) The device as in claim 1 [one of claims 1 to 4], characterized in that said receiving element is configured as a substantially annular inner ring (21) having an insertion

opening (22) at whose edge is disposed a radially oriented guide nose (23) and an arresting nose (25) having a snap-lock end (34) that flexes in the direction of said insertion opening (22).

6. (Currently Amended) The device as in claim 1 [one of claims 1 to 5], characterized in that one snap-lock structure comprises snap noses (8) and the other snap-lock structure comprises circumferential snap rings (11).

7. (Original) The device as in claim 6, characterized in that said snap noses (8) are disposed in the longitudinal direction at a distance from each other that is equal to half the distance between said snap rings (11).